

Solar neutrino theory and open questions

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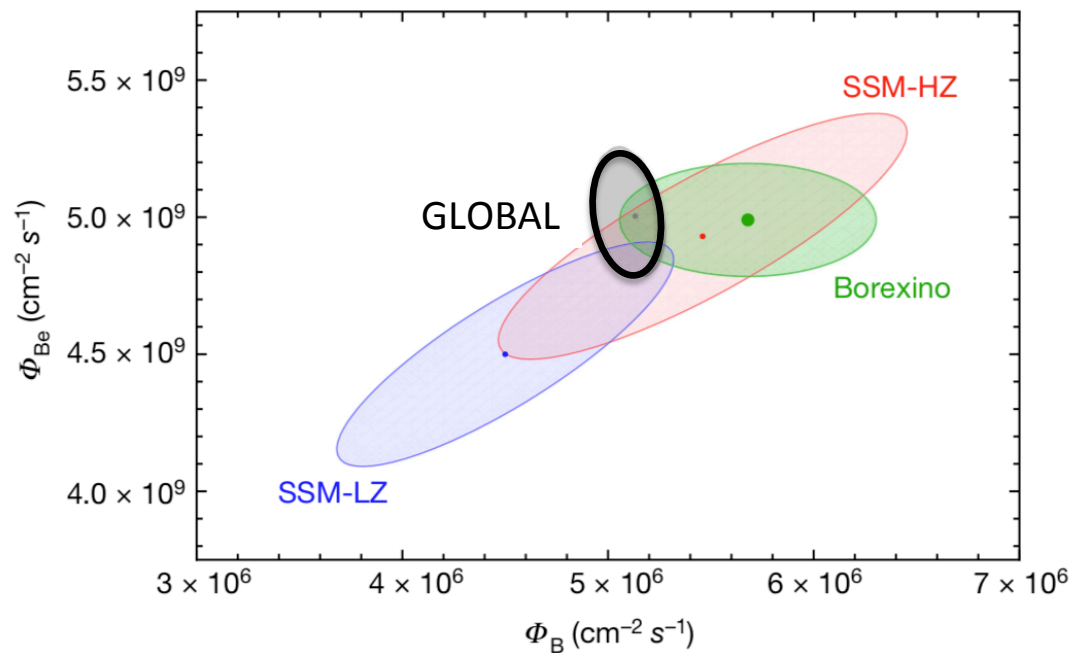
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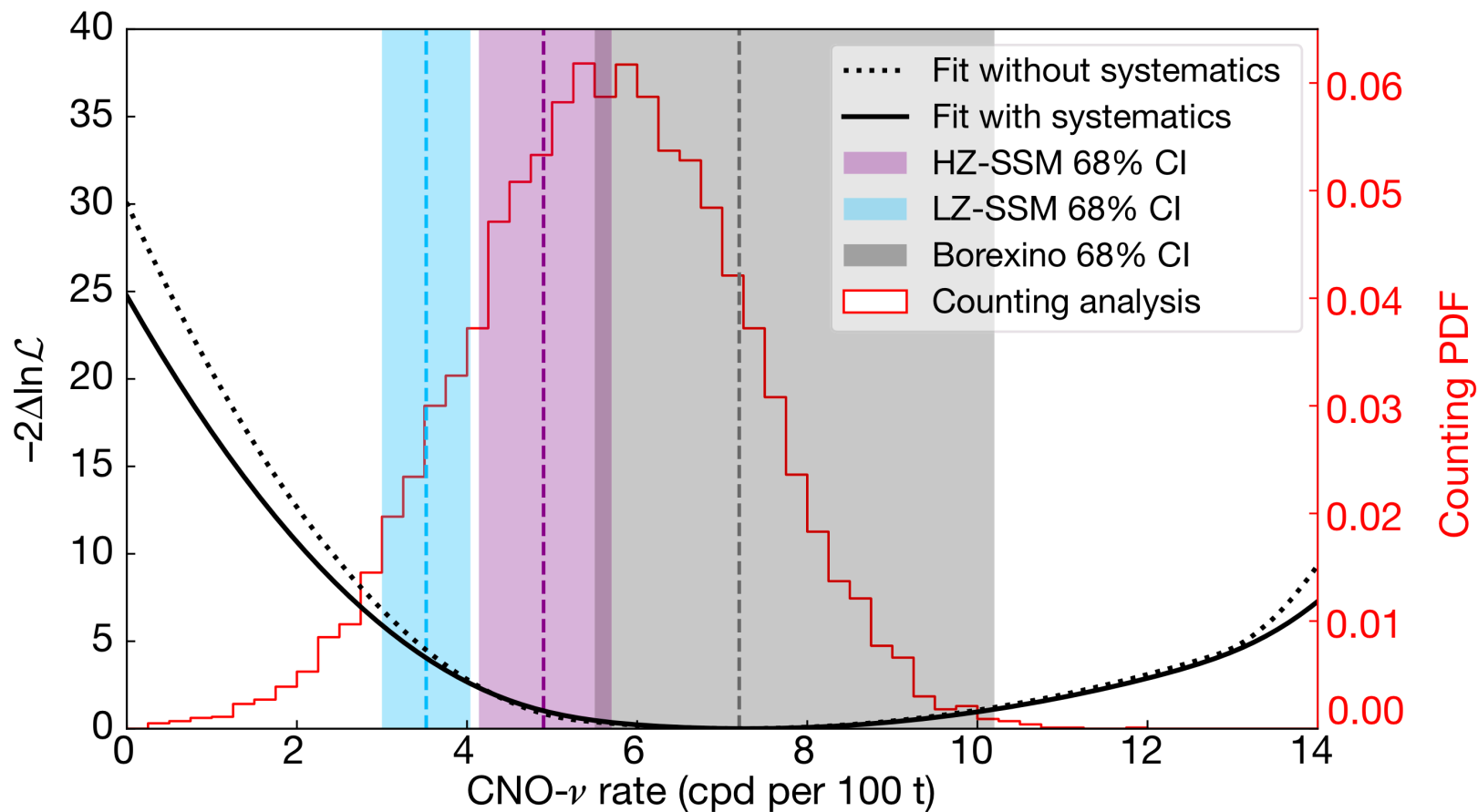


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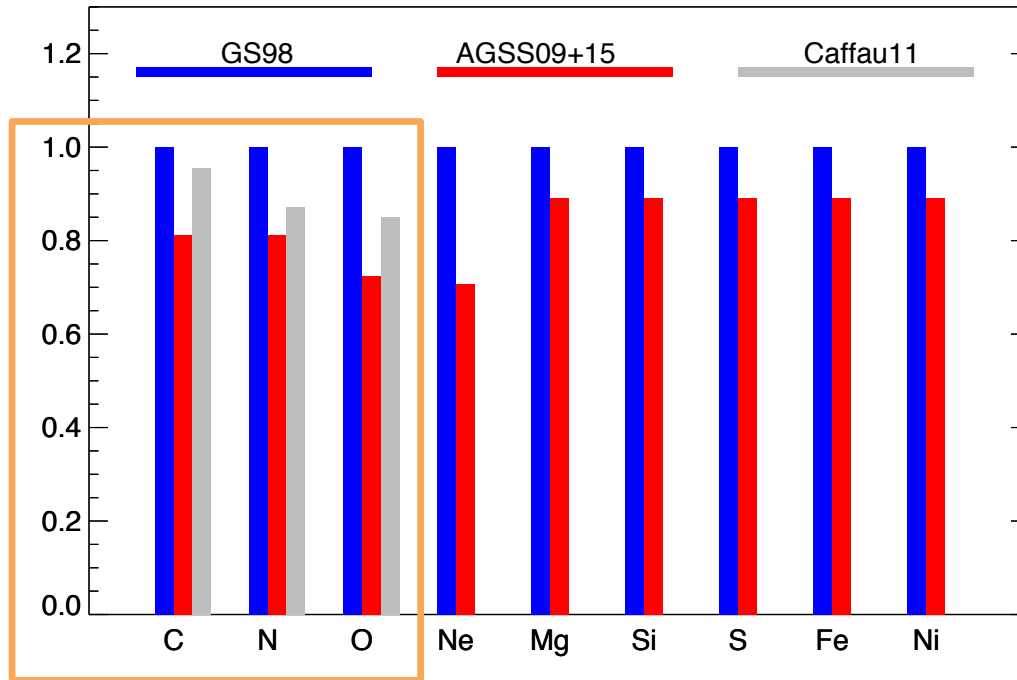
pep – 10% (Borexino, 2018)

^8B – 2% (SNO+SuperK)

^7Be – 3% (Borexino)



Revision of solar abundances (Asplund et al., Caffau et al.)



Large CNO reduction ~20-30%

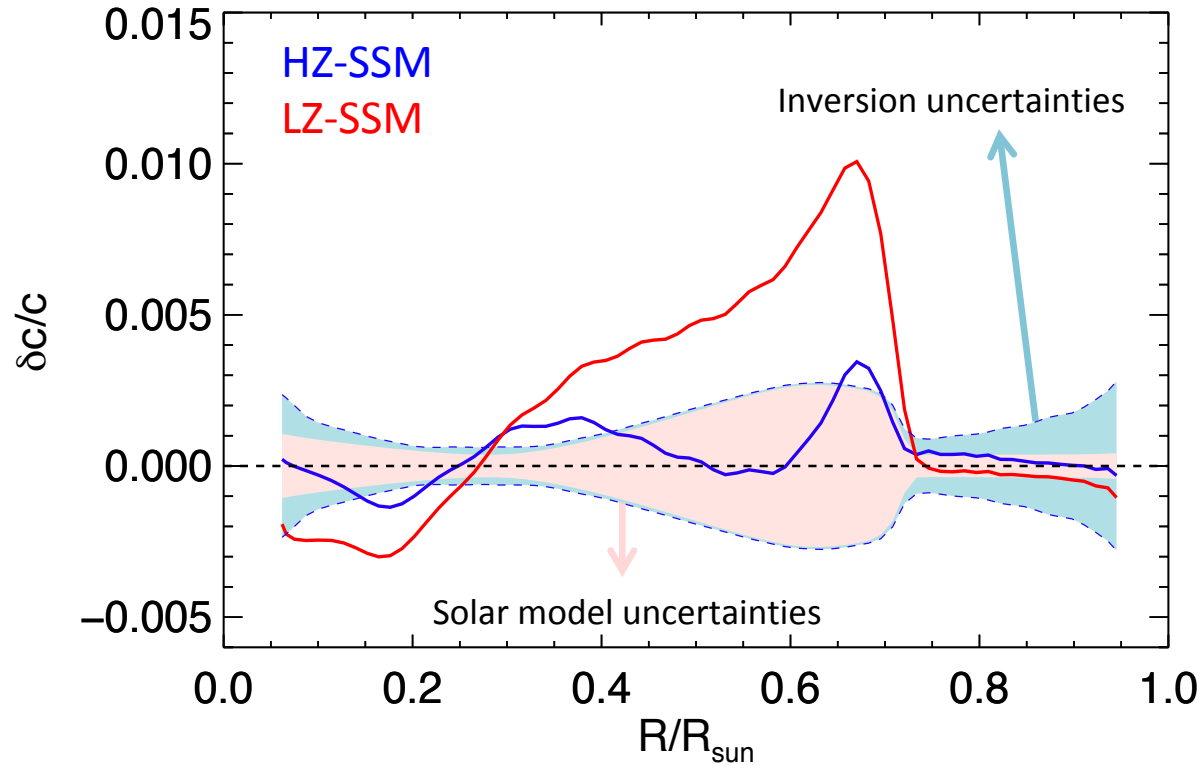
Moderate refractories ~10%

~ half from 3D effects

~ half from atomic data, NLTE, blends

fundamental difference
between 3D groups related to
choice of lines
(good atomic data, blends)

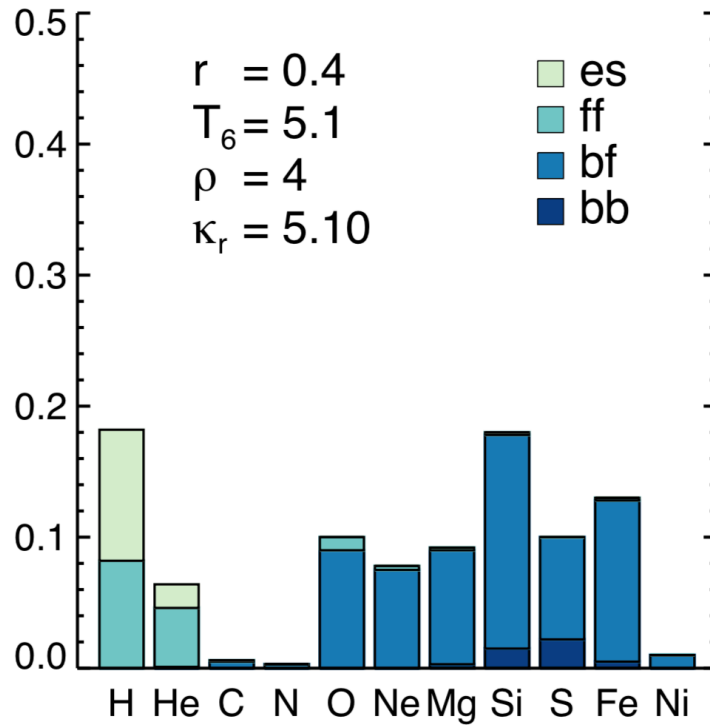
Solar modeling/abundances crisis after ↓ revision of solar abundances



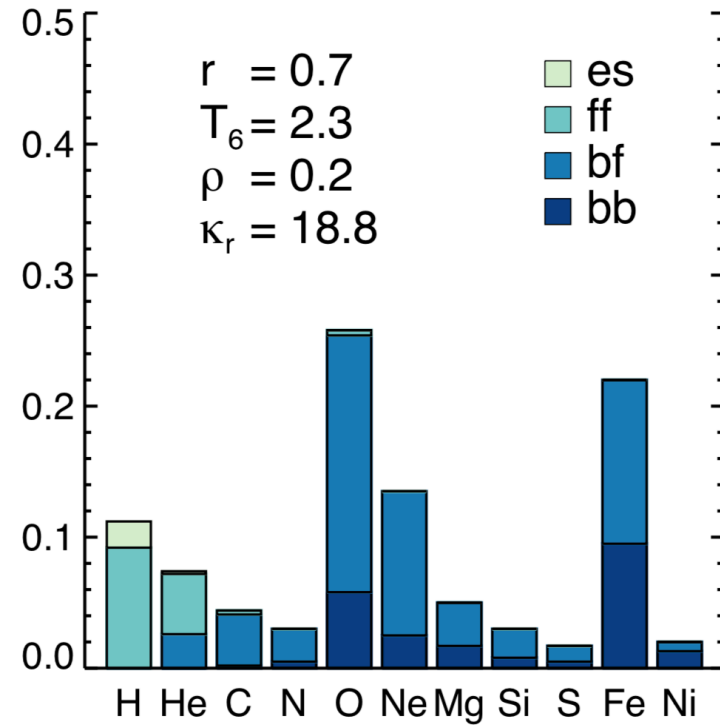
Sound speed inversions favor HZ-SSM

However, entropy inversions favor $Z = 0.008 - 0.014$ (even lower than LZ; Buldgen et al. 2017)

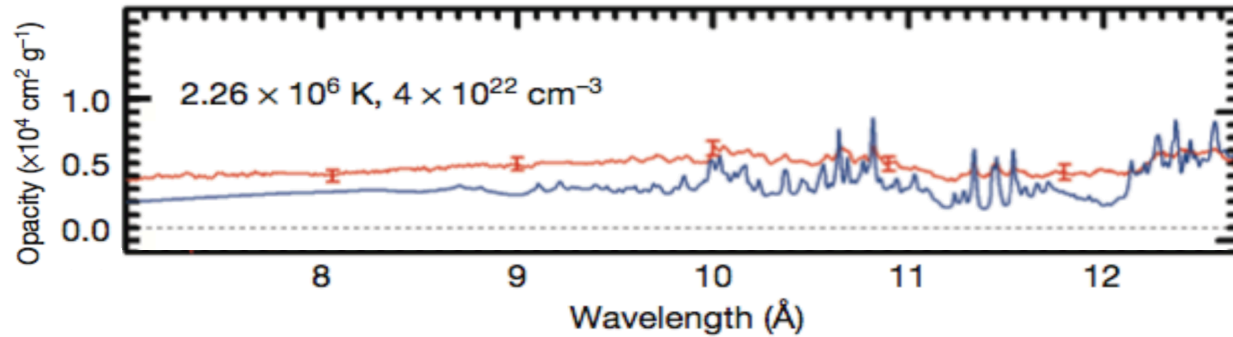
Intermediate region



Base of convective envelope

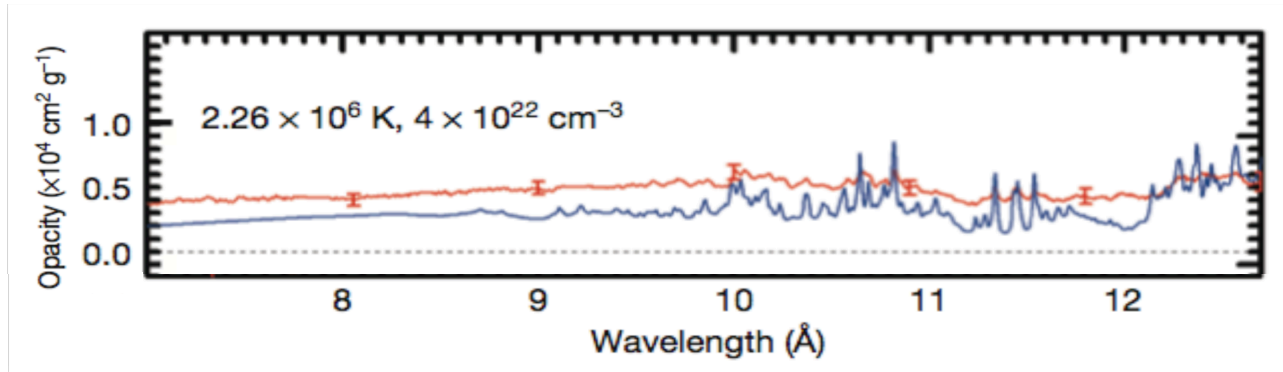


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Further experiments for Cr and Ni reveal (Nagayama et al. 2019):

- systematics for open L-shell configurations (Cr and Fe)
- line shape disagreement for all elements (problems with plasma interactions)
- but... quasi continuum opacity agrees for Cr and Ni → unknown T dependence or problems in Fe experiment

Helioseismology:

HZ preferred by sound speed inversions, depth of convective envelope

LZ preferred by entropy inversions

Opacity experiments:

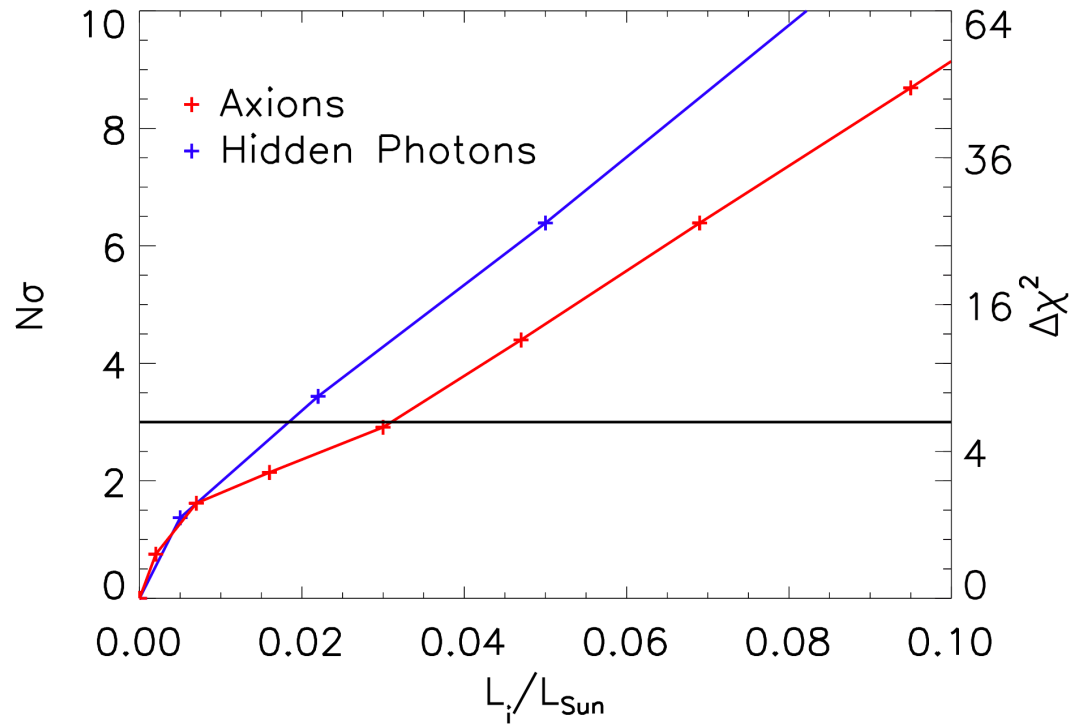
point towards deficient opacity calculations but Fe results not fully understood

Spectroscopic determinations:

new work ongoing (Bergemann et al.): new model atmospheres (including chromosphere), NLTE modeling of Ni (blended line with O) and new atomic O data (new model atom for NLTE). Future revision of C & N planned.

CN measurement by ν -experiments independent check on $C(+N) < 10\%$

Combination of helioseismic + neutrino constraints (model dependent)
exclude other channels at 3% (3- σ)



Following Borexino 2018:

$$L_{\text{exp}} = \left(3.89^{+0.35}_{-0.42}\right) \times 10^{33} \text{erg/s} = \left(1.01^{+0.09}_{-0.11}\right) L_{\odot}$$

pp measurement at 1% (1- σ) would yield comparable constraints (model independent)

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- CN measurement $< 10\%$
 - solar abundance problem
 - but C+N abundance for solar physics in general:
test on solar models, e.g. mixing
initial (in)homogeneity, e.g. accretion of protoplanetary disk w / different
composition